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News release

Citigroup Capital Partners Japan Ltd.

Conclusion of contract to make a tender offer for BELLSYSTEM24 shares

This is to inform you that Citigroup Capital Partners Japan Ltd. (“the Company”) has concluded a contract with K.K. BCJ-4 (Address: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Representative: Yuji Sugimoto, “BCJ-4”), a company established by Bain Capital Partners, LLC for the purpose of corporate acquisition, to respond to BCJ-4’s planned tender offer (planned starting date of tender offer: November 20, 2009 and planned settlement date of tender offer: December 30, 2009) for all the common shares held by the Company (93.5% of total shares outstanding) of BELLSYSTEM24 Inc. (Address: Shibuya-ku, Tokyo; Representative: Toru Uchida).

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